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To: School Nutrition Programs

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RE: SY 2014 Planned Assistance Level (PAL) Calculations

The Planned Assistance Level (PAL) represents the dollar value of USDA foods your school is eligible to receive during the school year.

PAL is calculated by taking your Average Daily Meals (ADM) from the 2013 School Year times the permeal value of USDA food assistance for the NSLP (National School Lunch Program). The per-meal value is published each year by the USDA and for the 2014 School Year will be .2325 per meal.

If you have questions please contact me by phone at (406) 444-4415 or by email at <u>juwilson@mt.gov</u>.